

**REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL
AUGUST 18, 2015 - 1:30 P.M.**

PRESENT:	Robert Vinyard	Mayor
	Marvin Dickson	Mayor Pro-Tem
	Odis McClellan	Council Member
	Karen Felker	Council Member
	Charles Gillingham	Council Member

STAFF:	Eddie Edwards	City Manager
	Kathie Harber	Deputy City Secretary
	Scott Radach	Director, Finance
	Brandon Strobe	Police Department
	Kenneth Peter	Director Planning & Zoning
	Ted Dodd	Director of Public Works
	Danny Richards	Director of Emergency Management
	Rhonda Miller	IT Specialist
	John Montoya	Code Enforcement

VISITORS:	Jessie Shuffield	Paul Hare
	Meryl Barnett	Nichole Carroway
	Dan Lehman	Chris Prock
	Marty Vinyard	Ray Ramsey

NEWS MEDIA: Alex Mann

QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS: Citizens who have indicated their desire to speak to the City Council will be heard at this time. In compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, unless the subject matter is on the agenda, City Council members are prevented from acting on the subject and may respond only with statements of factual information or existing city policy; however, City Council members may request city staff to place the subject matter on a future agenda. Citizens are limited to three (3) minutes for their presentation to the City Council.

Jessie Shuffield addressed the Council about the upcoming United way “Kickoff – Cookoff” which is scheduled to be held on September 12, 2015.

MINUTES APPROVED: Following review of the minutes of the work session and regular meeting of August 4, 2015 motion was made by Council Member Dickson, seconded by Council Member Gillingham, to approve the minutes for the work session and regular meeting session of

August 4, 2015, as submitted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted aye.

Nays: None.

PAYMENT OF EXPENDITURES APPROVED: The expenditures for the first half of August 2015 were submitted for the consideration of the Council. Following discussion, motion was made by Council Member Gillingham, seconded by Council Members Dickson, to approve payment of the expenditures of the first half of August 2015 as submitted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted aye.

Nays: None.

PROPOSED FY 2015-2016 OPERATING BUDGET RECEIVED AND PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULED: City Manager Eddie Edwards presented the City's proposed budget for 2015-2016 asked the Council to receive the proposed budget and schedule a public hearing to allow citizen comments on same. Following discussion motion was made by Council Member Felker, seconded by Council Member Dickson, to receive the FY 2015-2016 Operating Budget and schedule a public hearing for Tuesday, September 1, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. to allow for public comment on same. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted aye.

Nays: None.

PROPOSAL TO ADOPT TAX RATE AND SCHEDULE TWO PUBLIC HEARINGS ON PROPOSED TAX RATE: City Manager Eddie Edwards explained to the Council that this tax rate is higher than the effective rate and stated that this tax rate is in relation to the 2015-2016 budget. Following discussion, motion was made by Council Member Dickson, seconded by Council Member Gillingham, to approve a proposal to adopt a combined tax rate of 0.860000¢/\$100 valuation be place on the Agenda of the City Council meeting scheduled for September 15, 2015 for final action. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Vinyard	Dickson
Gillingham	Felker
McClellan	

Nays: None.

Further, the staff recommended that Council schedule two public hearings, as required by law, in order to give citizens an opportunity to voice their opinions. Staff recommended the first public hearing be scheduled for Tuesday, September 1, 2015 at 6:30PM, and the second public hearing to be scheduled for Tuesday, September 8, 2015 at 1:30PM. Following discussion motion was made by Council Member Dickson, seconded by Council Member Gillingham, to schedule two public hearings on the proposed tax rate for September 1, 2015 and September 8, 2015. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted aye.
Nays: None.

AMENDMENT #6 TO THE WATER SUPPLY AGREEMENT WITH ORION ENGINEERED CARBONS APPROVED: City Manager Eddie Edwards presented Amendment #6 to the Water Supply Agreement with Orion Engineered Carbons. Following discussion motion was made by Council Member Gillingham, seconded by Council Member Dickson, to approve Amendment #6 to the Orion Water Supply Agreement. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted aye.
Nays: None.

BID FOR THE ADDITION AND RENOVATION OF THE FIRE STATION AWARDED: Mr. Paul Hare, Parkhill, Smith and Cooper presented tabulated results of the base bid and all alternative bids from the recent bid opening. Mr. Hare indicated that Plans Builders based in Amarillo is the lowest qualified bidder and also presented a letter of recommendation that the base bid and all alternate bids for a grand total of \$2,376,856 be awarded to Plains Builders. Following discussion motion was made by Council Member Felker, seconded by Council Member Gillingham, to award the base bid and all alternate bids in the amount of \$2,376,856 to Plains Builders for the addition and renovation of the Fire Station. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted aye.
Nays: None.

BID FOR THE RENOVATION OF THE POLICE STATION AWARDED: Mr. Paul Hare, Parkhill, Smith and Cooper presented tabulated results of the base bid and all alternative bids from the recent bid opening. Mr. Hare indicated that Plans Builders based in Amarillo is the lowest qualified bidder and also presented a letter of recommendation that the base bid and all alternate bids for a grand total of \$366,769 be awarded to Plains Builders. Following discussion motion was made by Council Member Gillingham, seconded by Council Member Dickson, to award the base bid and all alternate bids in the amount of \$366,769 to Plains Builders for the renovation of the Police Station. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted aye.
Nays: None.

SOLID WASTE AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF PAMPA APPROVED: City Manager Eddie Edwards presented a new Solid Waste Agreement with the City of Pampa to replace the expiring Agreement. Following discussion motion was made by Council Member Dickson, seconded by Council Member Gillingham, to approve the Solid Waste Agreement with the City of Pampa. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted aye.
Nays: None.

SALE OF STRUCK OFF PROPERTY AT 1307 PATTON APPROVED: City Manager Eddie Edwards presented a letter from Carrie Kimmell, Hutchinson County Tax Assessor/Collector indicating that Alfredo and Petra Garcia submitted a bid of \$5,000.00 for the property located at 1307 Patton Circle. Following discussion motion was made by Council Member Dickson, seconded by Council Member Gillingham, to accept the bid of \$5,000.00 from Alfredo and Petra Garcia for the property located at 1307 Patton Circle. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted aye.

Nays: None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Mayor Vinyard stated that in compliance with Chapter 551, Texas Govt. Code, (Open Meetings Law), the Council would retire into executive session relative to Section 551.072 Deliberations regarding real property.

- a. Discuss purchase of real property located at 512 W. Seventh.

COUNCIL RETURNED TO OPEN SESSION: Following the executive session Mayor Vinyard reconvened the regular meeting.

Following discussion motion was made by Council Member Felker, seconded by Council Member Gillingham, to authorize the City Manager to negotiate an acceptable sales price with the owner of the property located at 512 W. Seventh Street. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted aye.

Nays: None.

MEETING ADJOURNED: There being no further business, motion was made by council Member Dickson, seconded by Council Member Gillingham to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted aye.

Nays: None.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Secretary